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PATENT

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DATA BUS IN A HUB-BASED MEMORY SUB-SYSTEM

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Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated December 5, 2006. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.